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The Honorable Kevin J. Martin, Chiarman The Honorable Michael J. Copps, Commissioner The Honorable Jonathan S. Adelstein, Commissioner The Honorable Deborah Taylor Tate, Commissioner The Honorable Robert M. McDowell, Commissioner **Federal Communications Commission** 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Doc No. 06-121

Dear Chairman Martin and Commissioners Copps, Adelstein, Tate, and Mc Dowell:

I am an average American citizen, who wants more for the majority of people in this country. This letter is to ask that you do not rule in favor of more media consolidation ownership. All of the social and economic problems in this country are a result of Big Media programming and the chosen allowed news coverage. All of programming needs to be overhauled. By the time a social issue has finally gone through a marginalized transformation to get on C-Span, it's too late. Not nearly enough Americans are aware of what is at stake or what has been at stake. If further rulings result in increased consolidation, America will have nothing substantial and nothing true, anymore. Fed fluff by Big corporations controlling programming to a weary U.S. who are constantly marketed to buy more is the chief reason why America is in so much debt, why our language habits have regressed, why more of the U.S populous is becoming increasingly less educated and increasingly unable to compete in a world of higher minds. The divide between rich and poor can be directly attributed to this. I implore the Congress and the FCC to stop giving our country false airs and false hope of our future. We depend on honest decent quality coverage of what's really happening to give our country hope to make us great again. If Big Media wants to continue to ignore the failures and ill state of this country, the condition will continue to worsen and fall by the wayside. We cannot keep going at this rate. It needs to stop. No more mergers and acquisitions in the media field. It's time to break them up in this country and keep them that way. The eye candy television and the fluffy white cloud coverage passed thorough by Big Media control are not what's needed to help this country. At this day in age, television should be used as an educational tool. Beginning w/ age 4 on up to the last senior citizen standing. There are too many busy, poor and uneducated people that are not being taken care of. This is directly due to Big Media's chosen programming. They have way too much control over the ever decreasing recreational time we have. And, during that time we are constantly bombarded with advertisement in every form and by every way imaginable. All the coverage on TV is designed to get people to buy. To make us think we need things we don't. Psychological trickery is not what this country needs. What this country needs is programming to help educate us. We need programming that will help us help ourselves, and to help each other. We need quality news reporting in our local area that will give us a sense of community. Educational programming to teach our young how to grow up to be sound, hopeful individuals who will in turn better the planet. The Education System in America is failing. Poor choice of TV programming is a direct result as to why. Americans are disillusioned due to Big Media. Americans are in debt because

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of Big Media. Every day they are going deeper and deeper under and there's no minute indication of this stopping anywhere in site. America's economic problems are a direct cause to how Americans are constantly being subversed into buying more because of how they're being marketed by Big Media. Cut out the advertisements, show quality reporting that means something to us. In major cities, in every square mile there should be programming that speaks to the locals allowing us true choice of programming in our communities. In poorer areas, the only thing people have in their homes are TV's. Single family parents are working 2-3 jobs to make ends meet. Taking public transportation, involving more time. And, all the kids get to do after school, if they even go to school that day, is watch their television. Parents to tired from work, need something easy, their answer: TV. This is the true lives of many Americans.

Even children who make an effort trying to get an education from school, may not have will to continue, if their parents aren't interested in helping. Why wouldn't their parents be interested in helping? The answer: they're too busy watching fluffy programming with the exception of domestic violence, shootings, drug busts, murders, rapes and war coverage and stock market coverage. TV engages our psyche for hours on end. It is so important that TV give us a realistic view and better news coverage and educate all of us. This way we will be able to be made aware of what's really at stake, to keep this country and it's people strong. As for the aforementioned sentence, what I really mean is. .. America isn't strong any longer. Big Media killed us. Big Media is strong and we don't have time to combat it with all of the social and economic pressures that we're under. If Big Media wants to continue with power, send them elsewhere. America has to be cleaned up. Give real quality reporting news coverage a chance. Let the American people decide as we're supposed to, not Big Media.

We're all a victim of Big Media — lest we know it or not. Kevin Martin is a victim of Big Media because he knows he wants to secure employment in a Big Media company upon leaving his FCC chairman post. Overworked and underpaid Americans are a victim of Big Media because the limited time of recreation time we have is filled with programming that gives Americans an unrealistic world view, that ownership of products are king. Children are a victim of Big Media, because their minds are being played upon in commercial advertising and when they come home from school, instead of homework they're dreaming up the stuff they want to buy and psychologically are aligning themselves with pop culture media. Senior Citizens are a victim of Big Media because confronted with their lack of programming choice, they feel they aren't at all being considered and feel left out entirely. And, ask any minority, black or woman familiar with Big Media's ignorance in programming and hear what they have to say.

I am a victim of Big Media. It has shaped the entire course of my life. It has made me feel un-American. I couldn't relate to it. I would ask for help with my homework, and I was cooly jeered by my parents who spent all day working. Their recreational time was spent in front of the TV. Television provided my father (originally a foreigner to the U.S. until he came here to attend University of Wisconsin back in the '60's before he met my mother.)...a way to familiarize himself w/ how America thinks and talks. The only positive thing that can be said about TV is that it has provided foreigners insight on how to assimilate with white American pop culture. TV provides that insight. However the negatives outweigh the positives 100,000 to 1. The faces on TV during the 80's and 90's were bright white telegenic faces. This is not America's colors. And, what was talked about did nothing to bring awareness of the true

state of our country and the direction it is headed. The state in our homes, in our own communities are not being addressed but rather constantly ignored. Yet still, the TV is on. America deteriorates more and Big Media gets away with profiting from America's deterioration. Big Media's psychological gimmicks and controlled programming galore, we've already entered the age of Orwellian, 1984. The golden age is over. Big corporations, Big Media and government officials and their cronies are the only ones to benefit for the ever increasing ill state this country is in. Big Media has to stop making and leaving America behind. Stop Media Consolidation! Break it up! And, then keep it that way. America is suffering. Stop hurting America!

Sincerely,

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